EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1.　　An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

　　　Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Aaron Grunberger on 10/28/08.

2.　　The application has been amended as follows:

　3. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for optimizing dependencies for a set of objects comprising:

automatically detecting dependencies among a set of objects, wherein each of said objects in said set includes at least one linkable file;

adding said detected dependencies to a dependency list for said set of objects;

removing dependencies from said dependency list for any object that does not also have at least one file dependency;

removing unused files from said set of objects; and

breaking a selected object in said set of objects into at least two smaller objects if said selected object is greater than a maximum object size.

　4. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for optimizing dependencies for a set of objects as recited in claim 3 wherein said threshold maximum size is a predetermined maximum object size.

5. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for optimizing dependencies for a set of objects as recited in claim 3 further comprising making a selected file into a new object if the number of dependencies of said selected file is greater than a maximum file dependency number.

6. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for optimizing dependencies for a set of objects as recited in claim 5 wherein said maximum file dependency number is a predetermined maximum file dependency number.

7. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer implemented</u> method for optimizing dependencies for a set of objects as recited in claim 6 further comprising manually editing said dependency list.

13. (Currently Amended) An apparatus <u>that utilizes a processor</u> for optimizing dependencies for a set of objects comprising

means for automatically detecting dependencies among a set of objects, wherein each of said objects in said set includes at least one linkable file;

means for adding said detected dependencies to a dependency list for said related

means for removing dependencies from said dependency list for any object that does not also have at least one file dependency;

means for removing unused files from said set of objects; and

means for breaking a selected object in said set of objects into at least two smaller objects if said selected object is greater than a maximum object size.

3.   Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Chavis whose telephone number is (571) 272-3720. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 9:00am-5:30pm, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lewis Bullock can be reached on (571) 272-3759. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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